

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
Northern District of California

LARRY D. BRIGGS,
Plaintiff in Propria Persona,

No. C 08-0870 EMC

v.

**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF
APPLICATION FOR ASSISTED
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE**

SANMINA-SCI,
Defendant(s).

I, LARRY BRIGGS, am the plaintiff in this case and apply for
placement of this case into the court's Assisted Settlement Conference program. In support of this
application, I declare as follows:

1. REPRESENTATION. I am not represented by an attorney and no attorney has made an
appearance for me in this case.

2. INFORMATION. I have read and considered materials provided about the court's
Assisted Settlement Conference Program. I understand the Program involves the court's reference of
this case to a settlement conference to be conducted by a magistrate judge.

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1 3. ASSISTED SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE. I understand that if this case is referred to
2 an Assisted Settlement Conference, I will be offered the assistance of special counsel to help me
3 prepare for, participate in, and pursue follow-up to, a settlement conference before a magistrate
4 judge. I also understand that the role of special counsel is only to educate and assist my preparation
5 for, participation in and follow-up to the settlement conference.
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7 4. LIMITED ASSISTANCE. I understand that special counsel may only help my
8 participation in a settlement conference by educating and assisting me. Accordingly, I:
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- 10 a. Understand that special counsel will provide no other service of any kind in
11 this case, without prior written authorization by the court to do so.
12 b. Agree that the scope of special counsel's duties to me will extend no further
13 than is necessary to educate me and assist me to prepare for, participate in, and
14 follow up on the court-annexed settlement conference.
15 c. Acknowledge that special counsel's responsibility to help educate me about
16 the process will not involve any control of the case or the settlement
17 conference.
18 d. Acknowledge and agree that special counsel will not analyze my overall legal
19 needs, conduct independent investigation of my case, or represent me in such
20 matter.
21 e. Understand that special counsel will not advise me about the need to contact
22 other counsel for purposes of obtaining legal advice.
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24 5. PRO SE STATUS. I acknowledge that I continue to provide my own representation in this
25 case and in the settlement conference, and that special counsel will only assist and educate me in this
26 endeavor.
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1 6. NO CONTRACT. I understand and agree that I have no contractual relationship with
2 special counsel for legal or other services, and that I will enter no contract with special counsel
3 during the time this case is in the Assisted Settlement Conference Program, absent a written order by
4 the court permitting such a contract.

5 7. EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM. I understand that Assisted Settlement Conference is an
6 experimental program. I have assessed the prospect of participating in a settlement conference and
7 acknowledge that there is no foreseeable harm that I will suffer in the failure of the settlement
8 conference to resolve the case, improve case management, enhance party satisfaction or
9 understanding of the case, or to achieve any other goals of the settlement conference.

10 8. EVALUATION. I agree to participate in the evaluation of the Assisted Settlement
11 Conference Program, and to allow any person authorized by the Court to evaluate the Program to
12 attend the settlement conference, all court proceedings concerning the Assisted Settlement
13 Conference Program, and any preparatory or follow-up meetings for the settlement conference. I
14 further consent to special counsel's responding to any inquiries about the case from any such person
15 authorized by the Court to evaluate the Program.
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17 9. I confirm that I have carefully considered the limited assistance provided by the Assisted
18 Settlement Conference Program and confirm that my decision to apply to enter the program is made
19 knowing the limited role to be played by special counsel is to provide only education and assistance
20 in the settlement conference.
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22 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
23 is true and correct.
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25 7/6/08
26 Date

Larry Briggs
Signature

LARRY BRIGGS
Name (Printed)